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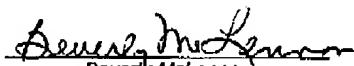
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LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

Dear Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the U.S. Patent and  
Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified Patent Application:

1. Request for Reconsideration ( 3 pages).

**THE COMMISSIONER IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED AND IS REQUESTED  
TO CHARGE ALL FILING FEES DUE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.16 AND ALL  
OTHER FEES DUE UNDER §1.17 DURING THE PENDENCY OF THIS  
APPLICATION TO OUR DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 07-1729.**

Respectfully submitted,



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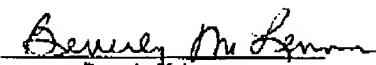
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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on January 21, 2004,  
applicant presents the following remarks.